IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA MARTINSBURG

WILLIAM RONDELL JONES,

Petitioner.

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CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:08-CV-165 (BAILEY)

RANDOLPH COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA,

Respondent.

ORDER ADOPTING OPINION/REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

On this day, the above-styled matter came before the Court for consideration of the Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge John S. Kaull. By Standing Order entered on March 24, 2000, this action was referred to Magistrate Judge Kaull for submission of a proposed report and a recommendation ("R & R"). Magistrate Judge Kaull filed his R & R on November 6, 2008 [Doc. 6]. In that filing, the magistrate judge recommended that this Court dismiss the petitioner's 28 U.S.C. § 2254 petition without prejudice.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636 (b) (1) (c), this Court is required to make a *de novo* review of those portions of the magistrate judge's findings to which objection is made. However, the Court is not required to review, under a *de novo* or any other standard, the factual or legal conclusions of the magistrate judge as to those portions of the findings or recommendation to which no objections are addressed. *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 150 (1985). In addition, failure to file timely objections constitutes a waiver of *de novo* review and the petitioner's right to appeal this Court's Order. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1);

Snyder v. Ridenour, 889 F.2d 1363, 1366 (4th Cir. 1989); United States v. Schronce,

727 F.2d 91, 94 (4th Cir. 1984). Here, objections to Magistrate Judge Kaull's R & R were

due within ten (10) days of receipt of the R & R, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and

Fed.R.Civ.P. 72(b). The docket shows that service of the R & R was accepted on

November 8, 2008. Neither party filed objections to the R & R. Accordingly, this Court will

review the report and recommendation for clear error.

Upon careful review of the R & R, it is the opinion of this Court that the Magistrate

Judge's Opinion/Report and Recommendation [Doc. 6] should be, and is, hereby

ORDERED ADOPTED for the reasons more fully stated in the magistrate judge's report.

Accordingly, the Court hereby **DISMISSES without prejudice** the petitioner's Complaint

[Doc. 1] and ORDERS it STRICKEN from the active docket of this Court. Additionally, the

motion to proceed as a pauper [Doc. 2] is DENIED.

It is so **ORDERED**.

The Clerk is directed to transmit copies of this Order to all counsel of record herein and to

mail a copy to the *pro* se petitioner.

DATED: December 19, 2008.

JOHN PRESTON BAILEY

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE